

MAY BE ABLE TO REDUCE THE TAX RATE

Suggestions at the Joint Meeting of Council and Citizens Committee May Work Out to Advantage.

As arranged at the public meeting on Tuesday night, the Citizens Committee has today sent a letter to the mayor and all the members of the council, suggesting that the full citizens' committee, consisting of R. K. Stoney, T. A. Hicks, D. Brundage, G. Lemon and F. O. McLean.

After the reading and adoption of the resolution, the committee was invited to make a statement on the subject of the tax rate.

The committee stated that the tax rate was the highest in the province, and that it was the duty of the council to reduce it to a reasonable level.

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Mange Regulations Are Now Laid

After being in force for the past two years or more, a blanket order covering mange among cattle, sheep and horses was put out of commission by an order in council passed at the instance of Dr. S. F. Tomin, federal minister of agriculture. The order affects over 2,400 square miles of 3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10-11-12-13-14-15-16-17-18-19-20-21-22-23-24-25-26-27-28-29-30-31-32-33-34-35-36-37-38-39-40-41-42-43-44-45-46-47-48-49-50-51-52-53-54-55-56-57-58-59-60-61-62-63-64-65-66-67-68-69-70-71-72-73-74-75-76-77-78-79-80-81-82-83-84-85-86-87-88-89-90-91-92-93-94-95-96-97-98-99-100-101-102-103-104-105-106-107-108-109-110-111-112-113-114-115-116-117-118-119-120-121-122-123-124-125-126-127-128-129-130-131-132-133-134-135-136-137-138-139-140-141-142-143-144-145-146-147-148-149-150-151-152-153-154-155-156-157-158-159-160-161-162-163-164-165-166-167-168-169-170-171-172-173-174-175-176-177-178-179-180-181-182-183-184-185-186-187-188-189-190-191-192-193-194-195-196-197-198-199-200-201-202-203-204-205-206-207-208-209-210-211-212-213-214-215-216-217-218-219-220-221-222-223-224-225-226-227-228-229-230-231-232-233-234-235-236-237-238-239-240-241-242-243-244-245-246-247-248-249-250-251-252-253-254-255-256-257-258-259-260-261-262-263-264-265-266-267-268-269-270-271-272-273-274-275-276-277-278-279-280-281-282-283-284-285-286-287-288-289-290-291-292-293-294-295-296-297-298-299-300-301-302-303-304-305-306-307-308-309-310-311-312-313-314-315-316-317-318-319-320-321-322-323-324-325-326-327-328-329-330-331-332-333-334-335-336-337-338-339-340-341-342-343-344-345-346-347-348-349-350-351-352-353-354-355-356-357-358-359-360-361-362-363-364-365-366-367-368-369-370-371-372-373-374-375-376-377-378-379-380-381-382-383-384-385-386-387-388-389-390-391-392-393-394-395-396-397-398-399-400-401-402-403-404-405-406-407-408-409-410-411-412-413-414-415-416-417-418-419-420-421-422-423-424-425-426-427-428-429-430-431-432-433-434-435-436-437-438-439-440-441-442-443-444-445-446-447-448-449-450-451-452-453-454-455-456-457-458-459-460-461-462-463-464-465-466-467-468-469-470-471-472-473-474-475-476-477-478-479-480-481-482-483-484-485-486-487-488-489-490-491-492-493-494-495-496-497-498-499-500-501-502-503-504-505-506-507-508-509-510-511-512-513-514-515-516-517-518-519-520-521-522-523-524-525-526-527-528-529-530-531-532-533-534-535-536-537-538-539-540-541-542-543-544-545-546-547-548-549-550-551-552-553-554-555-556-557-558-559-560-561-562-563-564-565-566-567-568-569-570-571-572-573-574-575-576-577-578-579-580-581-582-583-584-585-586-587-588-589-590-591-592-593-594-595-596-597-598-599-600-601-602-603-604-605-606-607-608-609-610-611-612-613-614-615-616-617-618-619-620-621-622-623-624-625-626-627-628-629-630-631-632-633-634-635-636-637-638-639-640-641-642-643-644-645-646-647-648-649-650-651-652-653-654-655-656-657-658-659-660-661-662-663-664-665-666-667-668-669-670-671-672-673-674-675-676-677-678-679-680-681-682-683-684-685-686-687-688-689-690-691-692-693-694-695-696-697-698-699-700-701-702-703-704-705-706-707-708-709-710-711-712-713-714-715-716-717-718-719-720-721-722-723-724-725-726-727-728-729-730-731-732-733-734-735-736-737-738-739-740-741-742-743-744-745-746-747-748-749-750-751-752-753-754-755-756-757-758-759-760-761-762-763-764-765-766-767-768-769-770-771-772-773-774-775-776-777-778-779-780-781-782-783-784-785-786-787-788-789-790-791-792-793-794-795-796-797-798-799-800-801-802-803-804-805-806-807-808-809-810-811-812-813-814-815-816-817-818-819-820-821-822-823-824-825-826-827-828-829-830-831-832-833-834-835-836-837-838-839-840-841-842-843-844-845-846-847-848-849-850-851-852-853-854-855-856-857-858-859-860-861-862-863-864-865-866-867-868-869-870-871-872-873-874-875-876-877-878-879-880-881-882-883-884-885-886-887-888-889-890-891-892-893-894-895-896-897-898-899-900-901-902-903-904-905-906-907-908-909-910-911-912-913-914-915-916-917-918-919-920-921-922-923-924-925-926-927-928-929-930-931-932-933-934-935-936-937-938-939-940-941-942-943-944-945-946-947-948-949-950-951-952-953-954-955-956-957-958-959-960-961-962-963-964-965-966-967-968-969-970-971-972-973-974-975-976-977-978-979-980-981-982-983-984-985-986-987-988-989-990-991-992-993-994-995-996-997-998-999-1000-1001-1002-1003-1004-1005-1006-1007-1008-1009-1010-1011-1012-1013-1014-1015-1016-1017-1018-1019-1020-1021-1022-1023-1024-1025-1026-1027-1028-1029-1030-1031-1032-1033-1034-1035-1036-1037-1038-1039-1040-1041-1042-1043-1044-1045-1046-1047-1048-1049-1050-1051-1052-1053-1054-1055-1056-1057-1058-1059-1060-1061-1062-1063-1064-1065-1066-1067-1068-1069-1070-1071-1072-1073-1074-1075-1076-1077-1078-1079-1080-1081-1082-1083-1084-1085-1086-1087-1088-1089-1090-1091-1092-1093-1094-1095-1096-1097-1098-1099-1100-1101-1102-1103-1104-1105-1106-1107-1108-1109-1110-1111-1112-1113-1114-1115-1116-1117-1118-1119-1120-1121-1122-1123-1124-1125-1126-1127-1128-1129-1130-1131-1132-1133-1134-1135-1136-1137-1138-1139-1140-1141-1142-1143-1144-1145-1146-1147-1148-1149-1150-1151-1152-1153-1154-1155-1156-1157-1158-1159-1160-1161-1162-1163-1164-1165-1166-1167-1168-1169-1170-1171-1172-1173-1174-1175-1176-1177-1178-1179-1180-1181-1182-1183-1184-1185-1186-1187-1188-1189-1190-1191-1192-1193-1194-1195-1196-1197-1198-1199-1200-1201-1202-1203-1204-1205-1206-1207-1208-1209-1210-1211-1212-1213-1214-1215-1216-1217-1218-1219-1220-1221-1222-1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THE NEW MINISTER OF THE INTERIOR

Sir James Loughheed who has been appointed minister of the interior under the Meighan administration, ought to prove a splendid administrator of the office.

He is a man who has been identified with the west since the first days of the railway, and he understands its problems better than almost anyone else.

He has always been a man of large affairs in his personal business, and he combines excellent judgment with remarkable ability.

He came west with the construction of the Canadian Pacific, picked on Calgary as his resting place, and he has been one of the most useful citizens of that city ever since.

Even when only a struggling young lawyer, when town lots were going a begging, he began to buy carefully and judiciously, and before many years was one of the most considerable property owners in the place. About the last years of the nineteenth century he began to build on his land. He put up business buildings and by means of reasonable rents and conveniences, succeeded in entering many business firms to become his tenants. In this manner he had a profound effect in deciding the business section of the city.

He has, as a matter of course, become exceedingly prosperous.

It is said to have been due to his public-spirited activities that the Canadian Pacific Railway made Calgary its western headquarters, and the Hudsons Bay Company built its splendid store at that point.

He has been in federal public life for many years, and has been cabinet minister since the formation of the first Borden Government.

There is no portfolio in the Dominion Government of greater importance to Western Canada than that of the Department of the Interior, and Sir James Loughheed brings to its administration the sympathy of a westerner with western affairs, great administrative experience, and rare ability.

THE CHIEF JUSTICE

There is no more eminent citizen in the Province of Saskatchewan than Sir Frederick William Gordon Haultain, Chief Justice of the Court of Appeals. He is a man of ripe intellect, of rare gifts, both academic and practical; and he has one of the fairest and most open minds in the world. He has spent most of his adult life in Western Canada, and he has given his talent—with very inadequate remuneration—to the services of his country.

He was born, if we are not mistaken, at the Arsenal of Woolwich in England, of which his father, a distinguished British officer was in command.

At that time it was the fashion for British officers on retiring from the service to come to Canada, and numbers of them settled in the East. Col. Haultain, father of Sir Frederick, accompanied by his brother, General Haultain, also a British officer, settled in Peterboro, Ontario, many years ago, where the families are still highly esteemed.

Sir Frederick came west after completing his university course and started practicing law at Fort Macleod then the most typical cow town of Western Canada.

When a measure of responsible government was granted to the North West Territories, Macleod was represented by Viscount Boyle, who had been a member of the Privy Council, and Man's River. In due course he fell heir to the title of Earl of Shannon, and he went home to Ireland to assume his new dignities and responsibilities. This left the Macleod seat vacant, and Mr. Haultain was easily elected the member.

There was a good deal of conflict going on between the federal authorities and the members of the legislature. The territorial revenues were very small, and the Lieutenant Governor acting as an officer of the department of interior, insisted upon running things his own way, and the Executive Council, which was responsible to the House, had really very little authority.

Mr. Haultain was early a champion of the rights of the Legislature, and on the defeat of Dr. Brett, who with some colleagues acted as advisor to the Lieutenant Governor, he was called upon to form an administration. With very short intervals he piloted the North West through all the various stages which led up to responsible government and provincial establishment. As premier he became a fashion to the people of the country, and in one of the last Legislatures, prior to provincial establishment, almost every member of the House was elected to support his constitutional policy.

At the first provincial election in 1905 he fought a single handed battle against the Scott government. He had all the forces and patronage of both federal and provincial governments against him, but with it all he was only defeated by a very narrow margin.

His genius lay in constitutional work, and he did not cultivate to any degree the political sense as we understand it in this modern day and hour. He had no instinct for smelling out a voter. He depended upon his record and policy for the support of the electors. On one occasion his Government was twitted with being unprogressive and having no definite policy. He said to the House, "If you want to know our policy, look in the Statute book you will find it there."

For a time after the election of 1905 he was leader of the opposition, but resigned his seat in the Legislature to accept the position of Chief Justice of the Court of Appeal.

Sir Frederick in his heyday was without a peer in Canada as a debater. He spoke in the restrained British style which always appears to have so much more behind it than the actual words which are uttered. He was lucidly itself, and his arguments were arranged and his conclusions reached with a precision that was always perfect. He was a master of the sarcasm that "like a razor keen makes deep the cut, but leaves the wound unseen," but he never employed it in a personal manner.

He is filling a sphere of great usefulness on the Bench and he is still only in his middle age. He has many years of usefulness before him. It is a man whom the people of this western country delight to honor.

The Personal Side

PROMINENT WESTERN CHARACTERS—SOME INTERESTING ANECDOTES OF PEOPLE WE ALL KNOW.

TENNYSON'S MASTERPIECE

A POEM WRITTEN DURING THE LAST YEARS OF HIS LIFE

Tennyson was the poet that was essentially characteristic of England. He had a magnificent poetic imagery and he understood the very spirit of his own country. He expressed in a wonderful manner the dignified atmosphere of garden, the scene at the gate of the "maison-belle" in the beautiful poem of "Maud." The high wall—the names of the flowers and the subtle country scent of it all are characteristic of many a lovely place. The characters are English too. It is very easy to picture Maud, "with her voice pealing up to the sky in a bellied gait and gay," as a tall flower-faced English girl. And her arrogant brother is English to the backbone.

Tennyson wrote rather indifferent poetry which he more than redeemed by his lovely lyrics. The very crowning of his life was a poem "Crossing the Bar" which he wrote when he was approaching eighty years of age. Read it below and judge for yourself.

Crossing The Bar

Sunset and evening star,
And one clear call for me!
And may there be no moaning of the bar,
When I put out to sea,
But such a tide as moving seems asleep,
Too full for sound and foam,
When that which drew from out the boundless deep
Turns again home,
Twilight and evening bell,
And after that the dark!
And may there be no sadness of farewell,
When I embark;
For 'twere from out our burials of Time and Place
The flood may bear me far,
I hope to see my pilot face
When I have crossed the bar.

A NATIVE OF THE WEST—D. H. McDONALD.

D. H. McDonald of Fort Qu'Appelle is one of the most successful citizens of the West. He is not yet an old man. He was born at the old Hudson's Bay Fort some 52 years ago when there were no white men in the country, except the employees of the Hudson's Bay Co. His father, Archibald McDonald, was a native born Scotchman who, rose high in the service of the company, and was at one time its oldest commissioned officer. He was at one time its oldest commissioned officer. He was at one time its oldest commissioned officer.

While quite a young man D. H. McDonald became a private banker at Fort Qu'Appelle and laid the foundation of a very comfortable fortune.

When the Saskatchewan Valley Land Co. was formed to colonize the great virgin tract of land lying between Qu'Appelle and Saskatchewan, he was one of the two Canadians to join it. It was perhaps the most successful colonization company ever projected, and carried to a conclusion and it was a wonderful success. The results of its operations was a great influx of settlers to the rich lands of Saskatchewan being brought to the attention of many good American farmers.

In 1902 there were only two homesteads taken up in the millions of acres of land in the region that came in the scope of the Colonization Company. Five years later many towns varying in population from 500 to 5000 had sprung up. The country was a net work of railways, cultivated farms could be seen in all directions; and a tremendous amount of grain was being produced.

With one other exception Mr. McDonald was the only Canadian with sufficient vision to throw his fortunes in with the Company, and it must have been very profitable to him.

He is one of the largest land proprietors in the country today, and he does not believe in burying his talent in the ground either. He has been making it a business to put his farms under cultivation, and has achieved great success in that direction. He realizes to be successful he must have good tenants on his land and with that end in view he does his best to provide good home conditions, and in many of his farm houses he has taken electric light and running water with the result that he attracts the best class of tenants.

Mr. McDonald takes a great interest in the ancient history of the country, and in his fine home on the banks of the Qu'Appelle he has collected a library of matters relative to the Northwest, which is perhaps the best of this nature in the country.

A number of years ago he was actively engaged in politics, and was at one time leader of the opposition in the Territorial Legislature.

He has recently been engaged with Mayor Brown in his campaign to raise funds for Western colonization, and has done excellent work in that respect.

GREATER PRODUCTION

A coterie of Regina men were discussing "greater production" at the Asiniboia Club not long ago, and one well known member, whose native place is the province of Quebec, said that he knew of a case in which a French Canadian woman had become the mother of nine children during the period of two years and a few months. His auditors laughed at him, but he was able to produce the Dominion Register for 1886 which bore out his statement. In that year Madame Francis Belanger of Natuskan, just below Quebec City, gave birth to four healthy children. The previous year she had had triplets and the year before twins. Unfortunately, there is no record of what happened after.

SOME PLAIN REMARKS BY AN ORDINARY WOMAN

An "intellectual" young woman. A modern thought old hag. Past and present day atrocities.

In a large city there is a young woman who has thrown off what she is pleased to call the trammels of old-fashioned convention. She detests "conservation," she states in fancy I can see her now. She lives in a tiny apartment in the "Village." To those old-fashioned enough to consider cleanliness and order as virtues, she is a nuisance. She is eighty years of age, but her wits were still sharp enough. I shall never forget her unholo laugh at the mention of Christianity. It would be as though herself a legion of devils had concentrated in one old woman's cackle. She sneered at mention of a husband and she had never cared for children. The convention was rubbish to her. The thought of her passing out held no terrors for her. She believed implicitly that it was darkness for evermore! As I gazed at the ragged, unkempt specimen of humanity, who had once been a bright and beautiful girl, but had always had peculiar notions regarding freedom and liberty and not being tied up by the conventions, I could not help thinking how up-to-date she was and what a beautiful "villager" she would make, in these days. She was intensely "modern."

When a small child I remember reading with horror until the blood froze almost in my veins, of how a missionary, his heart filled with love and solicitude for the natives had tried to take the Gospel of Christ to a cannibal island, and they had tied him up and burned him alive!

After a time I read too of the terrible tortures to which the Turks subjected the Armenians and never could understand why all the armies of the world did not rise up and go to avenge such bloodlust. But I comforted myself with the thought: "Well, that is amongst savages and uncivilized people. It could never happen in an enlightened age and among enlightened people. But the other day there appeared a small paragraph in cold and ordinary print telling the most blood curdling story that could have been imagined since the Age of Man began and it was to the effect that the Bolsheviks had taken the beautiful and talented, whatever her faults, she possessed both these qualities—Czarina of Russia and her helpless children and burned them alive in a wood. Are these the fruits of enlightenment? Is this the result of intellectualism. If hidden under the camouflage of progress are concerned the fangs of rapine and bloodshed, surely plain savagery which tells us no lies but would enable us to defend ourselves with like weapons would be kinder and more honest. Just think of a band of men followers of Lenin and Trotsky, who present themselves as apostles of an advanced and enlightened creed taking a beautiful and gently cultured woman with her tender children and subjecting them to such torture as only fiends of the caverns of the bottomless pit could devise.

And then remember that there are educated young people who are accepting such doctrines and talking glibly of the advantages of the soviet form of government of communism, etc., etc. To those of us who are still old-fashioned enough to read the Bible, it would seem that we had not far to seek for the supposedly mythical BEAST which is there spoken of as appearing in the last days. We firmly believe, however, that there will be a reckoning; that there is a just and watchful Providence over all who will surely mete out to every administrator justice and that every trembling cry of the tortured will be avenged.

One summer we went up into a northern part of the country on a fishing trip. It was a beautiful country with scenery of the wild and natural type which is more lovely to some eyes than any other. There were woods galore, hills and lakes, and wonderful sunsets. The people were struggling in that district, however, with heavy odds. It was not a good farming country. But for the most part they were peaceable and respectable people who attended to their own affairs and did their utmost to make progress in a material way. There was a tumble-down cottage across the winding road, from our tent and often in the evening I observed an old, old woman sitting on the stoop puffing away at a dirty

PEOPLE, BOOKS AND THINGS

A WEEKLY CAUSERIE OF MATTERS—TREATED
IN LIGHTER VEIN

MRS. ASQUITH AND HER DIARY—THE WOMAN WITH THE SERPENT'S TONGUE—LORD TENNYSON AND MAUD—A MOVING EXPERIENCE—IRIGATION IN SOUTHERN ALBERTA—A NATIONAL UNDERTAKING.

Mrs. Asquith, wife of the former prime minister of Great Britain, is writing what she calls "Fragments of my intimate Diary," a popular American magazine, probably for a good consideration of dollars.

Mrs. Asquith has been for years probably the most discussed woman in Great Britain. That she has extraordinary ability no one will deny, but she has been accused of being an intrigante, a political schemer, and of being the possessor of a bitter and poisonous tongue. William Watson, the poet, once wrote a poem that depicted a future in London society, called, "The Woman With The Serpent's Tongue," which he said to refer to the wife of the ex-prime minister.

Her articles, which are written for the Metropolitan Magazine, are a curious compound of snobbery, egotism, selfishness and really strong feeling. She is a corner of snobbery, but a very self-sufficient one, and despite her obvious assumption of smartness, she has a real artistic flair.

She writes of one experience that must have been a milestone in her life. She was with some girl at the tide of life, and with all its idealism, its opportunities and its fascinations shining in the sunlight before her, to visit the poet Tennyson in his beautiful English home.

She describes him well—his lion-like head with white hair sweeping back from his high forehead, his handsome beard, commanding stature and mobile expression. In describing the incident she says that the poet's wife was an invalid confined to her room.

Like most of those who possess the poetic imagination, Tennyson was sensitive to youth and to beauty, and was particularly so in this young girl with her good looks, her intensity and her imperiousness; and when they were sitting together she asked him to read to her. She selected "Maud" and handed him the volume. He commenced that masterpiece of love and youth, passion and anger, and England.

He became absorbed in his own creation—about a creation. She said Tennyson's reading "had the lift, the tenderness and the rhythm that makes music in the soul." It was neither singing nor chanting nor speaking, but a subtle mixture of the three. The effect was one of haunting harmonies which left me profoundly moved. His intensity grew as he read verses which described the young lover waiting at the garden gate, and listening to his mistress in the house, knowing that his mistress was only waiting the opportunity to go with him. Then carried away by his feelings, he placed the young girl on his knee, and with his arm around her waist read:

"There has fallen a splendid tear
From the passion-flower at the gate,
She is coming, my dove, my dear!
She is coming, my life, my fate!
The red rose cries, 'She is near,
She is near,'
And the white rose weeps, 'She is late';
The larkspur listens, 'I hear, I hear';
And the lily whispers, 'I wait.'
She is coming, my own, my sweet;
Were it ever so airy a tread
My heart would hear her and beat,
Were it earth in an earthly bed;
My dust would hear her and beat.
Had I lain for a century dead;

Would start and tremble under her feet.
And blossom in purple and red.

Mrs. Asquith says the incident profoundly moved her, and no wonder.

Mrs. Asquith belongs to a remarkable Scotch family. She is the daughter of Sir Charles Tennant, and her two sisters were also brilliant women. One of them married H. M. Stanley, the explorer, and unlike people say that it was her Scotch shrewdness that enabled Margot Tennant to pick Mr. Asquith as a political winner.

The other day I travelled west to Calgary. For some distance west of Medicine Hat the crops appeared to be suffering from want of rain, but as we got nearer Calgary, they apparently had moisture aplenty, and things were blooming. It is a magnificent stretch of country that reaches from our Saskatchewan river at Medicine Hat to Bow River at Calgary. But its obvious destiny is irrigation. The soil is rich and fertile, and when water is placed upon it, it will produce almost anything, and its contour makes it very adaptable to agriculture.

The C. P. R., of course, have great irrigation enterprises and has only to pass through their farms to see the property enjoyed by those who practise this system of farming. The wealth that would be added to this great territory by the application of a system of irrigation would be simply enormous. It would mean small farms all under cultivation, raising livestock and supporting a large contented population, and producing crops of remarkable diversity.

There is plenty of available water. The mountains are close at hand, and each year enough water to irrigate the whole territory is dissipated. It seems to me it should be a great national undertaking. An attempt should be made to conserve the water each spring that comes from the glacial snows of the mountains, in large reservoirs, and to lead it upon the land.

Such a proposition, of course, would be an enormous one, but Canada is a rich country, and it is a national undertaking and should be taken in hand by the Dominion Government. It is a wonder to me there has not been more attention paid to this in the past. The prosperity of the region of which I speak, and in fact of the whole of Southern Alberta, would

be tremendous, due to the enormous yield there would be from this system of farming.

I understand that the sportsmen of Saskatchewan are to be allowed a chance at the prairie chickens this season. The birds have been increasing, and during last winter were in considerable evidence in the bush country. It is all right to have some shooting in the season, but the birds are by no means plentiful as yet and the game authorities should be very careful in seeing that the regulations are most strictly complied with.

There has been a lot of illegal poth hunting going on during the summer. Some of the smaller farmers seem to have no compunction about breaking the law with respect to the game act. In certain of the districts north of Regina, partridge, quail, and ducks have been shot all summer and no one seems to take the slightest notice. This is a crime. The birds are certainly not fit for food, and the result of this kind of savagery is that many young birds have undoubtedly perished owing to the murder of their natural protectors. Killing game birds out of season is simply wanton destruction of life. The difficulty is that none of the farmers wish to get in bad with their neighbors by informing upon them.

I am told that the Hungarian partridges which were introduced into the foothill region of southern Alberta, are doing extremely well and already it has been considered quite safe to allow a short open season.

They have increased amazingly in the district along the Highwood Creek which lies between High River and the foothills of the Rockies. That district is also famous for the number and quality of the trout which abound in the streams. The country is very picturesque and is ideal for a sportsman's outing. The clear air of that altitude is splendid and invigorating, and the snowy pinacles of the Rockies create an impression of grandeur and immensity. It is a district of big ranches. The famous Bar U owned by George Lane is situated in that locality, as is also the Bedfording ranch which was bought by the Prince of Wales.

Once, about twelve years ago, when I was engaged for my first year in selling land, I took a party of American land seekers into the country west of Red Deer along the Calgary and Edmonton line, to search for suitable locations. With me was a well-known Regina citizen whom we shall call Brown, although that is not his real name at all.

It had been raining all day and we were led through a succession of popular bluffs and muskegs; and the whole journey was moist, muddy and depressing. At last towards late afternoon

the weather began to clear up and just as we emerged upon the shore of a noble lake the sun came out and flashed down upon a splendid scene of wood and hill and glistening water.

I was reminded of Scott's fine description of Loch Katrine in the Lady of the Lake, and turning to my companion recited rather incorrectly,

"And what a scene were here
For princely pomp and
lordly power,
On yon bold hill a noble tower,
On yon soft slope a lady's
bower,
On yonder summit far away
the turrets of a cloister
grey."

I do not think that the quotation is more than approximately correct, but it will serve. I wound it up by remarking to my companion "Walter Scott might have had this lovely lake in mind when he wrote those words."

"Now Brown was a very good Conservative, and he had not much use for the Hon. Walter Scott, at that time premier of Saskatchewan, and he replied, 'Well I never did hold much with Walter Scott's politics, but he has surely written some good things.'"

John Hamilton

Sealed to Death
The five year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Dies died at the Children's hospital from the effects of when he fell into a pan of boiling water a few days ago. The boy was playing in the home with two sisters younger than himself when the accident happened.

Belshewski Working in Roumania
Refugees are arriving from eastern Roumania in large numbers, fleeing from the Belshewski menace. They report conditions to be highly unsatisfactory in Roumania and declare that a Belshewski movement is feared.

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Women Attempts to Drown Herself

An elderly woman, named Mrs. John Stewart, who had been staying at the Westminster Hotel, Toronto, attempted to end her life by drowning at the beach recently. She had waded out into the lake in the belief that she could not be noticed. She was rescued just in time and restored to consciousness. Pinned to a watch which she left on the shore was a note with instructions regarding her funeral and a request that her daughter in Winnipeg be notified.

Prospecting Party

An expedition has been sent out to prospect for coal or other natural deposits in the region of Prince Albert in charge of the following: E. Pierce, mines inspector; A. C. Garner, chief land surveyor; B. L. Thomas, geologist. The party has been sent out by the Saskatchewan government to make a complete survey of the area in which it is claimed valuable mineral resources abound. The expedition has been inaugurated by the Hon. Charles Dunning.

Wonderful Girl Psychist

Miss Marion Hill of the University of Wisconsin has discovered that she has the remarkable talent of being able to tell exactly the thoughts of a person on whom she will the simply lay her fingers. Professor Sharp declared that few people have ever been endowed with this remarkable ability.

Fair Shortage of Coal

The Saskatchewan Board of Trade, fearing a shortage of coal if the winter's supply is not shipped during the next month, is sending telegrams to every board of trade in Saskatchewan urging that immediate steps be taken to get the supply. Thomas Reynolds, president of the Board of Trade of Saskatchewan stated today that with the prospect of a heavy wheat crop every available freight car will be in use at the beginning of September which will mean that freight will be tied up. There is no doubt, also that freight rates are going to get higher than they are now and getting coal now will mean a saving.

Railroaders Overpaid

The Farmers' Sun in a special article demands that a "flat" be given to the request for an increase in railwaymen's wages which is proposed. The writer declares that these wages "earners are" in the plutocratic class and that the increases demanded are "simply outrageous." He states that a farmer on 100 acres of good average land does well if his income, representing the wages of himself and his family, allowing nothing for interest on a \$12,000 investment equals that demanded by a railway switchman. The Sun contends that if railroading is hazardous, farming is equally hazardous, and quotes a medical man as saying that fully half the elderly farmers in a certain district were physically disabled in some way.

Confesses to Murder of Baby

Irene Eremenko, a sixteen year old Russian girl, has recently confessed to the murder of her new born infant. She states that after having given birth to the child she suffocated it with a silken cord and then placed the body on the veranda roof outside her room. Following the hearing of the case the accused was again taken to the hospital, pending her removal to Prince Albert jail where she will be held until the hearing of the case at the next session.

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Drawn by C. D. BATCHELOR

THE LIFE STORY OF A FLOWER

It's Youth

It's Triumph

It's End

ITEMS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Mrs. Blundell and children are spending a holiday at Banff.

Mrs. (Dr.) Skinner returned home last Monday after a month's visit with her son near Foremost.

Gordon Stone, of the Royal bank staff, left last Saturday night for his holidays. He will spend them with his parents at Red Deer.

St. Ambrose Sunday school held a picnic Tuesday of this week at Hargrave's grove, Medicine Hat. The children were taken to the picnic grounds in cars and were entertained to a most enjoyable outing.

Mrs. Powell and two daughters of Calgary, are spending a few days in town this week visiting Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon. Mrs. Powell is Mrs. Sheldon's mother.

H. W. Harper, manager of the Royal bank, returned home from Scott, Sask., last Friday. Mrs. Harper and the children are still visiting in Scott.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Devitt and family who have been visiting friends in different parts of Ontario all summer, returned home last Friday. Mrs. Devitt is feeling much improved in health as a result of her trip.

On the 6th of August Dr. Jessie McBean, of Kingwood, China, who is so famous at Banff, gave an interesting address to the Chinese students en route from France to China. Dr. McBean has given many instructive lectures to the Medicine Hat Chinese boys, as has also Miss Ethel Reid, of China. These lectures delivered in Chinese, are much enjoyed by the students.

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Miss Cecelia McKay left last Saturday for British Columbia where she will spend her holidays visiting her brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson, of Grand Forks, B. C., who are on their way home from a trip east, spent a few days in town this week, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. O. McLean.

C. J. Bray, of Truro, Alta., was in town last Tuesday, making arrangements for the purchase of a large store in his home town.

Miss Dorothy Panoset, of Bowell, who has been visiting Miss Gertrude Ryan, returned home last week. Gertrude accompanied her back and is now visiting at Bowell.

A gang of men now busy at work grading the road between here and Medicine Hat. This is part of the government road which is being graded through the Rockies. Jim Myers has his steam engine on the grader and will work through from here to Brooks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Foster and family, who are on a motor trip from Calgary to Moose Jaw, stopped off here for a few days this week to visit Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Collard.

W. H. Halcher, game guardian, had just received a good supply of bird game license blanks from the chief game guardian at Edmonton, and as those who intend going duck hunting on Sept. 1st will do well to purchase one on or before that date.

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